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THE CONTROL OF A COMPLETE PROCESS

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AMENDMENT A PRIOR TO ACTION

Sir:

Applicants herewith amend the above-referenced PCT application, and request entry of the Amendment prior to examination on the United States Examination Phase.

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IN THE CLAIMS:

On page 13:

replace line 1 with --WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:--;

Please replace original claims 1-8 with the following rewritten claims 1-8,

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referring to the mark-ups in Appendix A.

1. (Amended) A method for designing a control of a complete process which comprises a number of individual processes, said method comprising the steps of:

- a) identifying functionalities of said individual processes;
- b) performing a validation by automatically verifying an interplay of said functionalities in accordance with an input to said complete process, while not impeding each individual process during an operation, producing a validation result; and
- c) determining data for controlling said complete process from said validation result.

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